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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE COUNTING OF INCARCERATED PERSONS FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS."

- After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) (1) On or before the
- 4 thirtieth day of June in 2021, and thereafter on or before the first day of
- May in each year in which the decennial census of the United States is
- 6 taken and in which the United States Census Bureau counts any student
- 7 living in a dormitory or other student housing facility situated on any
- 8 campus of a state institution of higher education as a resident of the
- 9 town in which such student's respective campus of a state institution of
- 10 higher education is located, the executive director of the Office of Higher
- 11 Education shall deliver to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and

- 12 Management in such form as the secretary shall prescribe:
- 13 (A) A unique identifier for each student living in a dormitory or other
- 14 student housing facility situated on any campus of a state institution of
- 15 higher education on the date for which the decennial census reports
- 16 population;
- 17 (B) The street address of such campus of the state institution of higher
- 18 education at the time of such report;
- 19 (C) The residential or other address of such student prior to
- 20 matriculation at a state institution of higher education;
- 21 (D) An indication of whether such student has attained the age of
- 22 eighteen years;
- 23 (E) Such student's race and whether such individual is of Hispanic or
- 24 Latino origin, if known; and
- 25 (F) Any additional information the secretary may request pursuant
- 26 to law.
- 27 (2) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
- 28 information required to be provided under this subsection shall not
- 29 include the name of any student of a state institution of higher education
- 30 or in any other way allow for the identification of any such student from
- 31 such information. Such information shall be confidential and not
- 32 otherwise disclosed, except to the secretary for the purposes of
- 33 subsection (c) of this section, or as aggregated by census block for the
- 34 purposes of subsection (d) of this section.
- 35 (b) On or before the thirtieth day of June in 2021, and thereafter on or
- 36 before the first day of May in each year in which the decennial census of
- 37 the United States is taken and in which the United States Census Bureau
- 38 counts any student living in a dormitory or other student housing
- 39 facility situated on any campus of a private institution of higher
- 40 education as a resident of the town in which such student's respective
- 41 campus of a private institution of higher education is located, the

Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall request each such private institution of higher education in this state provide the secretary with a report including the information listed in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

- (c) (1) For each student included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall determine the geographic units for which population counts are reported in the decennial census of the United States, which units contain the address of the campus of the institution of higher education at which such student lives in a dormitory or other student housing facility, and such student's prior residential or other address as listed in such report.
- (2) For each student included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, if such student's prior residential or other address is known and in this state, the secretary shall adjust such information to:
- (A) Ensure that all relevant population counts reported in the decennial census are as if such student resided at such address on the date for which the census reports population; and
- (B) Ensure that such student is not represented in any applicable population count reported in the decennial census for the geographic units that include the campus of the institution of higher education at which such student lives in a dormitory or other student housing on the date for which the census reports population, unless such student's prior residential or other address is located within the same such geographic units.
- (3) For each student included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section whose residential or other address is unknown or not in this state, and for each student reported in the decennial census as residing in a dormitory or other student housing facility situated on any campus of a private institution of higher education for whom a report was not provided, the secretary shall adjust such information to:

(A) Ensure that such student is not represented in any applicable population count reported in the decennial census for the geographic units that include the campus of the private institution of higher education at which such student was living in a dormitory or other student housing on the date for which the census reports population; and

- (B) Ensure that such student is counted as part of a state unit not tied to a specific geographical location, in the same manner that an individual with an unknown state of residency is counted, including, but not limited to, military and federal government personnel stationed abroad.
- (d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall prepare and publish such information adjusted pursuant to subsection (c) of this section on or before either the first day of July next following the year in which the decennial census of the United States is taken or the thirtieth day after the publication of the redistricting data for this state by the United States Census Bureau in such year, whichever is later, and such adjusted information shall be the basis for determining state assembly and senatorial districts, as well as municipal voting districts. No residence at an unknown geographical location within the state under subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of this section may be used to determine the average population of any set of districts. The secretary shall notify each municipality that the adjusted information shall be used for the purposes of determining municipal voting districts.
- (e) The executive director of the Office of Higher Education shall (1) determine the residential or other address of each student who is living in a dormitory or other student housing situated on any campus of a state institution of higher education as of or after January 1, 2020, and decennially thereafter, and who remains living in any dormitory or other student housing on the date for which the census reports population, and (2) maintain an electronic record of such address. Such record shall contain, at a minimum, the last-known residential or other address of each such student prior to living in any such dormitory or

107 other student housing."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501	from passage	New section